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SUBJECT:SAS FLIGHTS TO WEST BERLIN

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1. EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO ADVISE DANES
BERLIN AIR CORRIDORS CAN NOT BE USED BY SAS. IN DISCUSSING
ISSUE EMBASSY SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT IN LATE 1940'S AND 50'S
ALLIES OFTEN SOUGHT SOVIET CONCURRENCE FOR USE OF
CORRIDORS BY NON-FOUR POWER AIRCRAFT. SOVIETS WOULD TAKE
NO POSITION, BUT OFFERED TO PASS ALLIED REQUEST ON TO GDR
FOR CONSIDERATION. THIS SOVIET POSITION WAS UNACCEPTABLE
TO ALLIES BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE GIVEN GDR VOICE, AND HENCE
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POTENTIAL VETO POWER, IN DECIDING WHO COULD

FLY IN CORRIDORS. IN 1958 ALLIES THEREFORE STOPPED
APPROACHING SOVIETS ON THIS ISSUE. RECENTLY SOVIETS EXPRES-
SED WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER MODIFICATION IN CORRIDOR USAGE,
BUT ONLY IN CONTEXT OF RENEGOTIATION OF ENTIRE CORRIDOR
REGIME. THIS ALLIES HAVE REFUSED TO CONSIDER.

2. EMBASSY MIGHT REMIND DANES THAT ALLIED OFFER OF LANDING
RIGHTS IN WEST BERLIN MADE IN MARCH 1972 CLEARLY ENVISIONED
THAT DANES WOULD OBTAIN RIGHTS FROM GDR FOR FLIGHTS OUTSIDE
THE CORRIDORS TO EDGE OF BERLIN CONTROL ZONE. RUSH

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